

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1797**

PATENT
Customer No. 63432
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Kristopher BUCHANAN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1797
Application No.: 10/539,562) Examiner: Bowers, N.
Filed: June 17, 2005) Confirmation No.: 2677
For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS OF)
SAMPLE PROCESSING AND)
TEMPERATURE CONTROL)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 6, 2008, the period for response to which extends through December 8, 2008, as December 6, 2008 is a Saturday, by a request for extension of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.